

Aldbrough Virtual Community Liaison Group Meeting

Date:	4 November 2021	Location:	Virtual and Face to Face
Date issued:		Recorded by:	Jayne Collings
Attendees:	Janice Harvey	Additional Distribution:	
Michael Gillatt, SSE (MGi)	Mick Robinson, Aldbrough Sports Hall (MR)	Nicola Salvidge, Clerk APC (NS)	
Jayne Collings, SSE (JC)	Paul Dacombe, Equinor	Andy Wainwright, ERYC (AW)	
Andrew Mendip, EGPC (AM)		Shirley Ross, ERYC (SR)	
Aaron Hammond, Aldbrough Parish Council (AH)		Barry Lee, Clerk EGPC (BL)	
Julie Dickinson Shaw, St. Michael's Church (JDC)			
Avril Crawforth, EGPC (AC)			
Steve Mattinson, EGPC (SM)			

Contact Details

Jayne Collings – Liaison Manager – 07471 401981 - (Monday to Wednesday 08:00 – 16:30). Alternative contact details provided in my absence.

Site Security – 01964 529451 (24 hrs a day)

Purpose of Meeting

- The Community Liaison Group will include representatives from the SSE, ERY Council, Aldbrough and Garton Parish councils and other relevant local interest groups.
- The Community Liaison Group shall provide a forum in which consultation can take place to consider the effects and issues which may arise from the development during its implementation and operation.
- The Community Liaison Group shall meet on a regular basis being at least once every six months.
- Meeting of the Community Liaison Group shall be open to members of the public, as observers.
- SSE shall nominate a Liaison Manager to act as point of contact; they will be a member of this Community Liaison Group.

Above is an extract taken from the Section 106

Meeting Notes

Item	Discussion
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1	Apologies for absence
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Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Birch and Stewart Hammond

2	Minutes of the previous meeting
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At the hydrogen meeting, one of the main concerns raised was around the drilling works during construction of Phase 1, and it was asked if technology had progressed since then. PD from Equinor said that the comment has been noted and although we're very early in the process to date, we can consider factors such as where the drilling rig is positioned and noise attenuation measures in the design phase.

The existing signs at the woodland which have old branding and are faded have not been changed since the previous meeting, MGi has taken this as an action to look at again, more discussion was had on this item later in the meeting.

3	Matters Arising
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No matters were raised.

4	Aldbrough Operations
	<p>MGi updated that normal operations continue at the site. He gave advanced warning that there may be some works next Summer involving 24 hour working and increased traffic/ lighting, but will be able to give more information at the next meeting once more details have been finalised.</p>
5	Planning conditions
	<p>MGi updated that we had applied for planning permission to replace the existing security hut at the site entrance for one which is very similar but slightly bigger. A decision is expected on this application by the end of November.</p>
6	Hydrogen Storage Project Update
	<p>JC explained that the project had not progressed since the meeting in September. However, she gave an update on the wider cluster sequencing process and explained that the East Coast Cluster had been successful in receiving funding to progress to the next stage. A factsheet on this announcement will be circulated with these minutes.</p>
7	Feedback from Liaison Manager
	<p>JC said that she is expecting to go off on maternity leave in January 2022. Her role is currently being recruited for and she will ensure that the CLG are kept informed of her replacement and have alternative contact details ahead of her going off. She is expecting to return to work in February 2023.</p>
8	Community Concerns / Comments
	<p>JC said that we had been made aware of a local planning application for a dive centre, café and car park near to the site. SSE are currently reviewing this internally.</p>
8	AOB + Public Discussion
	<p>Some members of the CLG and members of the public asked questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was asked if noise monitoring stations could be used to detect any increased noise? MGi explained that noise monitoring stations were used during the Phase 1 construction and are in continued operation, it's anticipated that they would be used again. • It was asked if the location of Phase 2 could be reconsidered, as it's thought that the wellhead would be located on the highest point in the area? MGi explained that it was designed in this way for a reason at the time but we will be relooking at and reassessing everything and we have taken the comment on board. • It was asked why it was located closer to properties than before? MGi explained that the plans for Phase 2 were amended when the planning amendment was made to move the plant further away from the coast due to coastal erosion and evidence that it was happening at a faster pace than originally anticipated. The location for Phase 2 is as per the planning amendment that was granted. PD from Equinor said that once we have a design for the new project, we will take this out to the local community for comments and feedback. • It was asked if any additional tree planting should be done in the short term to provide additional screening for the project in the future. MGi said that we'd look into this as part of the design work. • It was asked what the situation would be the woodland in the long term for example if SSE left the site? MGi said that we would go back and look at this and involve our legal teams in determining what the situation is and what could be put in place to ensure it's protected. • There was some discussion around whether people should be asked to keep dogs on a lead in the woodland wetland area due to the wildlife. There was some discussion about responsible dog owners and whether this was the right approach. It was agreed that the CLG would discuss further as a group and let JC know the outcome and what they'd like to see on the new information signs. <p>POST MEETING ADDITION</p> <p>The pipes on the beach have recently become exposed again, please see image below. We will continue to monitor these over the winter period and no work will be carried out to remove them until Spring 2022.</p>





9 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The proposed date is **Thursday 17 March 2022 at 18:45**. Location to be confirmed nearer the time and will be dependent on any Covid restrictions at the time.

Actions	Action by	Date
JC to circulate minutes and place on project website	SSE	ASAP
Site to examine information signs at the woodland	SSE	ASAP
SSE to ask the legal teams about what has been said previously and the current situation with the woodland with regards to it remaining in place even if circumstances around the project change	SSE	ASAP
The CLG to feedback to JC about whether they would like the new woodland/ wetland signs to say 'Dogs must be kept on leads' specifically or remain as advice	CLG	ASAP